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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests reconsideration of the Information Disclosure Statement originally filed January 13, 2004, and in particular, the technical art cited on page 6 of the Form 1449. A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and page 6 of the Form 1449 are attached. A copy of each cited technical reference is further submitted herewith.

When preparing and filing the January 13, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant relied on an earlier filed application wherein the earlier filed Information Disclosure Statement was in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)-(c). Further, the Examiner has not indicated why the cited technical art has not been considered in any of the Office Actions issued.

Because the original Information Disclosure Statement was timely submitted, Applicant believes no fees are due at this time. However, permission is granted to charge any fees due to Deposit Account 500-413. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at (612) 677-9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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David M. Crompton

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligations of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are hereby disclosed and brought to the attention of the Examiner.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the instant application relies on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. 09/978,964, filed October 15, 2001, under 35 U.S.C. § 120. The information disclosure statement submitted in the earlier application is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)-(c).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each non-U.S. patent/publication document or other information listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 is provided, with the exception of the references cited in the earlier application which are not required to be provided for this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).



No representation is intended to be made hereby that any of the cited references establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of any claim of the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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